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COMMERCE

(Speciality)

(Mathematics for Commerce)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. (a) (i) If the p th, q th and r th terms of an AP are x , y and z respectively, prove that

$$p(y - z) + q(z - x) + r(x - y) = 0 \quad 3$$

- (ii) If $x = 2 + 2^{2/3} + 2^{1/3}$, show that

$$x^3 - 6x^2 + 6x - 2 = 0 \quad 5$$

- (iii) The vertices of a triangle are $A(-1, 5)$, $B(3, 1)$ and $C(5, 7)$ respectively. Find the area of the triangle formed by joining the middle points of the sides of this triangle. 4

- (iv) Prove that the lines $3x - 2y - 4 = 0$
and $6x - 4y - 3 = 0$ are parallel. 2

Or

- (b) (i) Find n , if ${}^n C_8 : {}^n C_6 = 15 : 28$. 3

- (ii) Solve : 4

$$\sqrt{2x+1} + \sqrt{3x+4}$$

- (iii) Derive an equation of a straight line
passing through two given points. 4

- (iv) If a straight line makes an angle 45°
with the x -axis and if it passes
through $(2, -1)$, find the equation of
the straight line. 3

2. (a) (i) Define limit of a function. Also
write down the condition for the
existence of the limit of a function. 2

- (ii) A function $f(x)$ is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= -x, & \text{when } x \leq 0 \\ &= x, & \text{when } 0 < x < 1 \\ &= 2 - x, & \text{when } x \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Show that it is continuous at $x = 1$. 2

- (iii) Evaluate : 3

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{2}{n^2} + \frac{3}{n^2} + \dots + \frac{n}{n^2} \right\}$$

- (iv) Find the maximum and minimum values of the function

$$2x^3 - 21x^2 + 36x - 20 \quad 5$$

- (v) Evaluate $\int (5^x + e^x) dx$. 2

Or

- (b) (i) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$, when $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 1$. 3

- (ii) Evaluate : 3

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+2x} - \sqrt{1-3x}}{x}$$

- (iii) Find the value of

$$\int_0^1 xe^x dx \quad 2$$

- (iv) If $y = Ae^{2x} + Be^{-2x}$, then show that

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 4y = 0 \quad 3$$

- (v) If $u = \frac{y}{z} + \frac{z}{x} + \frac{x}{y}$, prove that

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + z \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0 \quad 3$$

3. (a) (i) Define minors and cofactors of the elements of a determinant. 2

(ii) Find the value of

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & -5 \\ 5 & 10 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad 1$$

(iii) Solve by Cramer's rule : 3

$$2x + 3y = 13$$

$$x + 7y = 23$$

(iv) If $f(x) = x^2 - 5x + 6$, find $f(A)$, if

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad 4$$

(v) If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 \\ b & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and

$(A+B)^2 = A^2 + B^2$, find the values of a and b . 4

Or

(b) (i) When are two matrices said to be conformable for multiplication? 1

(ii) Find the product AB of two matrices A and B , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = [2 \ 4 \ 9 \ 6 \ 5 \ 0] \quad 3$$

(iii) Prove that

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+a & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+b & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+c \end{vmatrix} = abc \left(1 + \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \quad 5$$

(iv) Find the minor and cofactor of 4 in

$$\Delta = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & -2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \quad 2$$

(v) Find the adjoint of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and hence evaluate A^{-1} . 3

4. (a) (i) Give a general statement of a linear programming problem. What are its major components and what does the non-negativity restriction mean? 2+3

- (ii) Discuss the uses of LPP in business and commerce. 4

(iii) Solve graphically the following LPP : 5

$$\text{Minimize } Z = 3x_1 + 2x_2$$

subject to

$$5x_1 + x_2 \geq 10$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \geq 6$$

$$x_1 + 4x_2 \geq 12$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

Or

(b) (i) In relation to the LP problem, explain the implications of the following assumptions of the model :

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(1) Linearity of the objective function and constraints

(2) Continuous variable

(3) Certainty

(ii) What is meant by a feasible solution of an LP problem?

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(iii) Use simplex method to
maximize $Z = 6x_1 + 8x_2$
subject to

$$5x_1 + 10x_2 \leq 60$$

$$4x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 40$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

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5. (a) (i) Mantissa of logarithm of any number is always —. (Fill in the blank) 1

(ii) Find the base, if logarithm of 27 is 6. 2

(iii) If $a^2 + b^2 = 14ab$, prove that

$$\log\left\{\frac{1}{2}(a-b)\right\} = \frac{1}{2}\{\log 3 + \log a + \log b\}$$
 3

(iv) A merchant borrows Rs 4,800 at 6% simple interest and invests at 7½% compound interest. If the transaction is closed at the end of 3 years, what is his gain? 3

(v) A man retires at the age of 60 years and his employers gives him a pension of Rs 12,000 a year paid in half-yearly instalments for the rest of his life. Reckoning his expectation of life to be 13 years and that interest is at 4% p.a. payable half-yearly, what single sum is equivalent to his pension? 5

Or

(b) (i) If $2\log a + 3\log b - 2 = 0$, then prove that $a^2 b^3 = 100$. 2

(ii) Find the value of

$$\log_3 \{\log_2 (\log_5 25)\}$$
 1

- (iii) If the population of a town increases every year by 2% of that population at the beginning of that year, in how many years will the total increase of population be 40%? 4
- (iv) Define perpetuity and deferred annuity. 2
- (v) A housing flat costs Rs 1,36,000, 40% to be paid at the time of purchase and balance reckoning CI @ 9% p.a. is to be paid in 12 equal annual instalments. Find the amount of each instalment. 5
